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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO ZAMBIA AND ZAIRE - DUTCH VIEWS

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1. DCM TOOK UP SUBJECT OF ASSISTANCE TO ZAMBIA AND ZAIRE WITH MFA POLITICAL DIRECTOR RUTTEN FEB 20. AFTER MENTIONING EXISTING AND PROJECTED DUTCH ASSISTANCE (THE HAGUE 932) RUTTEN EXPRESSED DOUBT WHETHER EC-9 WOULD BE IN POSITION TO GO BEYOND GENRAL DISCUSSION NEXT WEEK. IN DUTCH CAST MOST OF ASSISTANCE FUNDS ALREADY EARMARKED. HE CHARACTERIZED NEW INITIATIVE AS "POLITCAL GESTURE" SUCCESS OF WHICH WOULD DEPEND ON EVOLUTION OF ANGOLAN SITUATION. HE DID NOT THINK KATANGA GENDARMES POSED OTHER THAN PSYCHOLOGICAL THREAT TO MOBUTU. HE ADDED THAT REPORTS DUTCH HAD RECEIVED ABOUT INTERNAL SITUATION IN ZAMBIA SUGGESTED KAUNDA WAS IN PRECARIOUS POSITION,

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POINT THAT RAISED QUESTION WHETHER ADDITIONAL AID COULD GO

TO PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT WAS GIVEN.

2. IN DUTCH VIEW PRIME IMPORTANCE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO "NEUTRALIZING ANGOLA". REFERRING TO FRG RECOGNITION FEB 20 AND ANTICIPATED BELGIAN RECOGNITION OVER WEEKEND RUTTEN SIAD HE BELIVED KEY QUESTION FOR EC-9 WAS PROSPECTIVE US POLICY TOWARD ANGOLA; HE HOPED FOR EARLY INFORMATION ON THIS POINT.

3. RUTTEN CONCLUDED THAT DUTCH SHARED US CONCERNS ABOUT ZAIRE AND ZAMBIA, UNDERSTOOD PURPOSE OF APPROACH AND WERE SYMPATHETIC IN PRINCIPLE BUT SKEPTICAL OF PRACTICAL ACTION BY EC-9 NOW.

4. DURING CONVERSATION RUTTEN VOLUNTEERED GON HAD AS YET NO RESPONSE TO ITS CABLE RECOGNIZING MPLA.  
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